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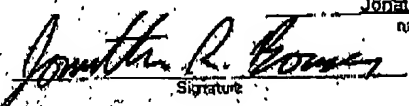
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Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action dated August 8, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows.